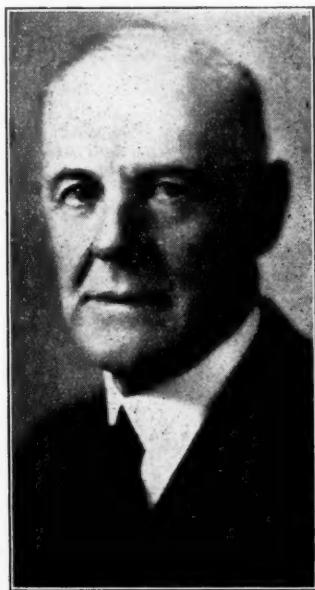


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The S. P. A. Convention



THE Thirty-seventh Convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans convened at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, at 10:15 a. m. on Monday, August 10, 1931, Dr. N. P. McGay presiding.

Mr. George W. Linn of Columbus, Ohio, opened the meeting as follows:

"I am told that as Chairman of the Committee for this Convention, it is my duty to open the Convention session.

"Since I plan to stay awake for the next three days and nights helping to keep everybody happy, I shall not use up much of my strength in this task and so will be brief. There are too many notable speakers waiting to say a few words to you for me to occupy much of your time.

"Sometimes I think that real stamp collectors are getting scarce. Since the big Butter and Egg men of New York, and some other towns too, have learned that Postage Stamps are a better and more sound investment than stocks the hobby of stamp collecting has produced some queer situations. It is not unusual to hear about stamp collectors who have a hundred copies of the 5c, 1847, and as many more, of dozens of other choice stamps. Some people call them stamp collectors, but they are merely hard-headed business men who realize the investment value of stamps, Angels for the Nassau Street dealers.

"The man who is to act as your temporary chairman, however, is still a stamp collector in his own name. He licks his own hinges, soaks his own mission mixtures, and collects stamps because he gets a heap of pleasure and fun out of

the game. He too has been an angel to the Columbus Philatelic Club, and in recognition of his love of the hobby and of his friends who collect stamps he was elected President of the local Club.

"I will now leave you in the hands of this gentleman, Mr. George K. Smith."

(Applause)

Mr. George K. Smith

"Ladies and Gentlemen, we will have to proceed with the opening of this Convention without the benefit of Clergy, the first item on the program having apparently fallen by the wayside.

"I have, however, a great deal of pleasure in presenting one of our largest stamp dealers, a man of whom Columbus is very proud; one who worked through the various Departments of our post-office, and then politicians in Washington did an almost unheard of thing—they selected for the Postmaster of Columbus the man best fitted for the job—a local boy whom we have known for a great number of years. I am presenting Mr. James R. Geren, our Postmaster."

Mr. James R. Geren

"Folks, I am mighty proud to be with you and extend a most hearty welcome to Columbus.

"There is no reason under the sun why the Philatelic Association should not be extended a hearty welcome from each and every post office in the United States, and this post office as well. I consider the Philatelic Association as one of the best and most lucrative patrons of the post office department.

"I wouldn't for a second undertake to go into the phases of stamp collection because you must know a thousand times, yes a hundred

thousand times more than I do about the stamp collection business, but it is certainly a wonderful thing.

"I wonder if you have given much thought to this—it may be but a few years hence when stamps may become a thing of the past, then your collection will be very valuable. As an indication of this, last year the postal receipts amounted to seven hundred million dollars, but it cost eight hundred million to run the service. Out of the seven hundred million dollars eighty-five million was derived from mail without stamps affixed. If you make your calculation there then you can see that more than one-tenth is being sent out without stamps affixed. That, ultimately, will make the stamp collector's collection a very valuable asset.

"I recall when I came into your service—Mr. Smith said I came up from the service—I entered as a stenographer, and that goes back pretty far, 1906, a stamp collector came in hurriedly and said, 'I have learned from the Department at Washington that they have recently sent you a million two cent stamps and among those are some which have been printed up-side-down.' Well, I proceeded to go through those stamps, but I never found them. (Laughter) Whether he was sending me on a wild goose chase or not I don't know.

"We always welcome the stamp collectors—we welcome the business. As I say, why should we not? It is a source of great revenue to the Department and means very much.

"I want to assure you that while you are here in Columbus, if you feel we have something that you want to look at or get into our vaults, we will be glad to let you look them over. I think George

Linn does that occasionally. We want to help you all we can. We want to extend to you our best wishes and the hope that your convention will be a pronounced success. Thank you." (Applause)

Mr. George K. Smith

"It remains for me to say in a very brief way how welcome you are and how much our local society appreciates your coming here.

"We made strenuous efforts to induce you to come and we might say that just as strenuous efforts will be made to entertain you.

"We particularly bespeak for this association a complete harmony, which perhaps was not foreshadowed before the convention took place.

"Let me say that Columbus is proud of its hospitality; it is proud of the facilities with which it takes care of its visitors, and we want you to know we will do everything we can to make your stay a pleasant one.

"Not since 1908 have we had the honor of having the National Stamp Convention here and at that time some radical departures were introduced which were productive of much good. We hope your convention will be constructive and forward looking.

"May I say that our local members are completely at your disposal for your entertainment. If any of you brought your war clubs with you we are members of several golf courses where you can go out and try your skill. Columbus also has a number of very nice clubs and if you desire the comforts and facilities of these, we will be very glad to put you up at one of them.

"Please feel free to call on us for anything we can do which will contribute to the pleasure of your stay.

"Dr. McGay, I now turn the meeting over to you and say that you are very, very welcome." (Applause)

Dr. N. P. McGay

"It is certainly a great pleasure to be so royally welcomed to the Capital City of Ohio, and the beautiful setting we have for our meeting place here.

"It certainly does me a great deal of good to see the turn out for the opening session. With times such as they have been I had doubts whether we would have anybody here except the fellows who had to be here. It speaks well for the interest in your association.

"As for harmony and good fellowship, I want to say that I hope it will continue through my administration and I hope for my successor the same. There may be a few things that need ironing out, but get it from me straight from the shoulder that a percentage of things may have taken place in the last few months that went in as conflict, but when we get through I think you will find there has been more noise than cause for alarm.

"At this time I again thank you and the Committee from Columbus for your untiring efforts to make this Convention the success I know it is going to be, and to the various Committees I take this opportunity to personally thank you one and all for your wonderful support.

"The Thirty-seventh Convention is now at a point where it is now time to have the call of the Convention read and I will ask that my successor to be, Brother Gorman, read the call at this time."

Now that the convention is officially in session it will doubtless be the wish of those that stayed at home to know what actually happened. That is the important happenings, whether the show was a success, how the visitors liked it and many other things. The business proceedings of the convention are of little or no interest to the bulk of the readers of this publication. Possibly six or seven hundred of the members are subscribers and that leaves about 7000 of our readers who are not subscribers and we do not feel that it would be just to dump the convention proceedings on them. It might be well to say, however, that it went through in a harmonious way.

The chief thorns that were in the side of the Society before the convention, were removed without pain in most instances. Some very magnanimous things were done by some of the parties most concerned while in one particular instance there was an opportunity for another very magnanimous action on the part of one of the parties concerned but he evidently did not see it that way.

Such of this matter that was not wiped from the stenographers notes will be found in the annual publication when issued, thus the members will learn of the action of the convention.

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The Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, has long borne a reputation among those who have been in the habit of attending their annual meetings and other events of more or less national scope, as being hosts par excellent. We leave it to MacLaren, who will assure all who ask that the G-P has nothing on the Columbus Philatelic Club when it comes to work of this sort. We even heard the suggestion made that the local committee be made a permanent one for the annual S. P. A. conventions.

Dr. McGay conducted himself as an active President should. He was on the job every minute of the time. It was with considerable difficulty that he was sneaked away from the watchful eye of Mrs. McGay and introduced to Harry Adair who was in charge of room 1137 which was opened on the Sunday preceding

the opening of the convention and kept open 24 hours a day until the day after the close of the convention.

On the other hand, president elect Gorham, having nothing to do but enjoy himself, did it like a sailor on shore leave. Sometimes he was at the convention sessions and other times he was lost and nobody could find him. The night after the Dinner, his hat was found out in the middle of the car tracks on Broad street, a search party was organized and searched the neighborhood, but the body could not be found. He finally turned up safe and sound next day and spent the balance of the week hunting his hat. Some of the boys said good night to him in 1137 at about 5 a. m. Wednesday morning and that was the last seen of him until after the session of the Convention was closed. Dr. McGay had to surrender the gavel to the new Vice-President, Frank L. Coes.

It is difficult to tell all of the story for one is apt to jump from place to place so it may be best that we start at the beginning and try to mention the various activities in sequence.

Mr. Gorham was the first out of town man to arrive, he showed up on the Saturday preceding the convention. By Sunday afternoon there were a number of the visitors on hand and the local boys were there to take care of them. The exhibition which consisted of between 40 and 50 frames of six album pages each was put in place by the local members Sunday Morning. From the minute it was set up, there were sightseers to look it over and the display was much enjoyed, both by convention attendants and by numerous visitors from the city. No attempt was made to show an array of rarities yet there were numerous frames that run into considerable value and attracted much attention. The exhibition was managed by Joseph Arthur who gave much time to it and handled his work in a manner that met with the approval of his co-workers.

The display and bourse room run through three large parlor rooms in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel and numerous tables were provided for those who wished to buy and sell and these tables were quite busy. Since these tables were provided for the use of registered attendants and members of the society, those who had contributed by payment of registration fee, toward the expense of the meeting, it was found necessary in a couple instances to ask some parties to wrap up their stamps and take them off the tables in order that those who were entitled to them might have room.

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royally entertained and had the opportunity of looking at some of his volumes of Mexico. It was the opinion of those who were on this party that they would just as soon stay right there for the rest of the convention.

One thing that had worried the local committee a great bit was the excessively hot weather. We gave a great bit of our effort toward planning to offset this in some manner and that our efforts were repaid will be attested to by all present. Sunday evening we had a nice rain, Monday turned cool and pleasant and throughout the balance of the week the weather was ideal for a convention. Thus the committee feels proud of the way in which this trying situation was overcome.

By the time the party had returned from the visit to Mr. Schenck it was well toward ten o'clock when the various committees for the conduct of the business of the convention got into session in preparation for Monday morning. Those who were fortunate in not being tied up in committee meetings enjoyed themselves in various ways.

It was much regretted by the local committee that the Governor could not be present to address the convention as was planned but again fortune smiled on our efforts and due to the active cooperation of Georges Creed and M. Ohlman, the former of which was made a member of the committee on 1137, the Governor was captured for our Convention Photo and that was even better than having him make a speech for we have him to show to all the members.

A little incident in the taking of this photograph might be taken to explain the Governors stand on one of the momentous questions of the day, then again maybe he did not mean it as it sounded, but the members of the society who heard the remark expressed themselves in no feeble fashion.

Just before the picture was snapped, a few scattering drops of rain fell, the Governor said "I believe it is going to be wet". The shout that went up at this remark seemed to settle that question in so far as the S. P. A. is concerned.

Monday night, the dinner was attended by 75, about half local and half visiting members. This was held in the beautiful Main Ball Room of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. It must be said to the credit of the Hotel that the food, throughout the dinner was excellent, in fact there was no part of it that could give cause for complaint and this is an unusual thing in a dinner of this sort. It is all too frequent that one arises from a table at a dinner or banquet complaining about something. Throughout the serving of the various courses, Pauline Corbett Warners Deshler-Wallick Ensemble entertained with music and

Mrs Warner rendered several solos which met with hearty approval. This musical group is heard throughout the winter season from this Hotel, over Radio Station WAIU and has become quite popular.

Following the dinner, Palu Mason, one of the old guard of Philately in Columbus, took charge of the proceedings as Toastmaster. Seated at the speakers table with him were Dr. and Mrs. N. P. McGay; of Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. George K. Smith of Columbus, Ohio; Frank L. Coes of Worcester, Mass.; Albert E. Gorham of Washington, D. C.; W. W. MacLaren of Cleveland, Ohio and C. W. Bedford, of Akron.

Toastmaster Mason briefly introduced the various speakers and in doing so permitted them to choose their own topics, only cautioning them that their time was limited. Of course this was hard on MacLaren but it was the best speech he ever made. As we left the banquet hall some ten minutes after the affair was over and after having talked with a press representative for some time, we found MacLaren out in the lobby outside the room, still speaking.

The menu was a very pretty and attractive souvenir of the convention. The large stamp on the front cover was designed by Mr. Norbert Gainey an artist with one of the engraving houses of this city.

After the dinner, the early risers went to bed while the local committee got to work and began to entertain those who were looking for entertainment while the bugs went back into the bourse room and swapped stamps. Many visitors called on the Editor and Mrs. Linn in room 1250. Both the editor and Mrs. Linn were on hand most of the time during the duration of the convention.

A crowd then gathered in the room occupied by Mr. E. E. Parker, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, 1247, just down the hall from 1250. After this party broke up more of them went to bed and the rest of the party called on the faithful who were assembled in 1137 on the floor below.

Right here it might be well to speak of the Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, Ed. Parker. Dr. McGay and Mr. Gorham both complimented the committee very highly on the manner in which they had handled their work. It is not casting any reflection on the rest of the committee, Lester Merritt and S. H. Cobb to say that the greater part of the credit is due Mr. Parker. Mr. Cobb was in the east on a vacation and only came back to Columbus to attend the convention while Merritt very cleverly turned over his automobile about two weeks before the convention, injured his hand and left all the work for Parker.

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Despite this handicap Ed. delivered the goods and on top of this he proved himself to be one of the best one man entertainment committees that any stamp convention has ever produced. Whether he slept any during the four days that he was on the job is more than I could say for he seemed to be somewhere about whenever one looked for him.

The usual entertainment was found in 1137 and the Editor still has cause to feel proud of his record as established at various Cleveland Meetings, at Akron last December and this spring at Indianapolis. He always manages to bring home the bacon.

Two large buses of the Greyhound type were arranged for, both Monday and Tuesday afternoon for sightseeing trips to Port Columbus and up Riverside Drive but the bourse room was more attractive and on both afternoons it was impossible to get enough together to fill a single bus.

The convention Photo was taken Tuesday at 2 o'clock on the south steps of our beautiful city hall. The Governor of Ohio George White will be found standing beside President McGay. (This is not advertising, but for any member of the society who wishes one of the pictures which are 12x20 inches in size we will be glad to procure it and mail it to you if you will remit one dollar, address the publishers.)

The Auction on Tuesday night attracted the largest crowd at the convention. This was accounted for by the number of curiosity seekers that filtered in from the city. As is usual with sales held under such conditions it ran very slowly and only picked up steam and run in regular stamp auction fashion after the curious had got tired and went home.

Wednesday morning saw the final business of the convention after which many of the visitors left for home. Thus Wednesday afternoon the bourse room was the scene of activity and those who remained had a pleasant time browsing around in this room.

By evening, only a few of the visitors were left and the local committee dismantled the exhibit and had everything cleaned up for removal by 10 o'clock.

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Babe Kennett of Cincinnati took full advantage of the opportunities offered in this haven and always had both hands full.

The Ladies Committee of the Convention is deserving of much praise. This committee consisted of Mrs. Fred Collins and Mrs. Norbet Gainey both of whom were on hand most of the time throughout the day and evening. They were assisted by other ladies of the members of the Columbus Philatelic Club and we believe that the visiting ladies had no cause for complaint. The theatre party Tuesday night was at the beautiful Ohio Theatre. At another time various of the ladies were taken to other theatres and a visit to the top of the 37 story A I U tower was made by the visiting ladies.

The president of the Columbus Philatelic Club, Mr. George K. Smith, is an exceedingly busy man yet he found time to devote several hours each day to helping our visitors enjoy themselves. One afternoon he brought our postmaster, James R. Geren over for a chat at the stag party in room 1137 and Postmaster Geren showed that he was made of the same stuff that makes stamp collectors the good fellows that they are.

It is of course impossible, within 12 hours after the close of this convention to enumerate all the interesting things that happened. The complete list of attendants has not yet been thoroughly checked up from the registration books, the writer is tired, would much rather have gone to bed and rested than write what has been written, yet it must be done now if it is to appear in this issue of the paper. Therefore he must be excused if he has neglected to mention anything of importance and for not having found time to get ready a complete list of those in attendance. Next week this list will be printed and we hope to have some supplementary remarks on other matters of the convention.

We would not feel however, that we would dare close this account of the convention without expressing the appreciation of the Columbus Philatelic Club for the many favors shown by the management of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, for the solicitation and interest in our welfare and the activities of the convention on the part of Miss Martha Obetz and the manager Mr. Michos. The Columbus Philatelic Club as well as visitors feel highly grateful for all that was done for them.

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By the time this week's chronicle reaches most of our subscribers your New Issue Editor, will be starting on his annual two weeks vacation. Any correspondence received between the dates of Aug. 22nd and Sept. 7th, will be held until his return and answered at that time.

OHIO CIGARETTE TAX STAMPS—A report has been circulated that Mr. Wm. V. Miller is the Philatelic Agent for these stamps. Mr. Miller wishes us to announce that this is an ERROR. He is only acting in this capacity, for the benefit of fellow collectors. Further he is in receipt of numerous letters requesting detailed information. As he cannot give his time to personally replying to any letters, all such information will be published in this column. Many received did not extend the common courtesy of enclosing return postage. Due to the number, Mr. Miller is compelled to decline replying to such thus received. The stamps will not be available to collectors until after Sept. 1st. After this date, Mr. Miller will be pleased to fill all orders from collectors, but specifies that they MUST BE accompanied by a CERTIFIED CHECK or MONEY ORDER and RETURN POSTAGE and REGISTRATION FEE.

UNITED STATES — First day covers of the rotary press 17c and 25c are at hand. These were issued July 27, 1931. The perforation listing of these as well as the others to follow will be 10½x11, instead of 11x10½. This will be readily understood when you remember that the long sides of the 17c to 50c are top and bottom, in place of the left and right sides, as on the lower values. The first day covers of any of these are likely to be scarce due to the practice of the Bureau of releasing them unannounced. We understand that some 40 sheets of each of the 17c and 25c were returned to the Bureau because of unsatisfactory perforating.

(Albert E. Gorham)

ABYSSINIA — New permanent design. The announced values are ½g, ¼g, ½g, 1g, 2g, 4g, 8g, 1th, 2th, and 3th. The two thus far issued are:

1½g gray-brown (Aouache Bridge)
1g carmine (Portrait of Queen Walzeru Menen)

(Philatelic Magazine)

ALBANIA — The Tirana-Rome flight overprint mentioned in our last issue reads: "TIRANE-ROME" in a semi-circle and "6 KORRICK 1931" as the base of the semi-circle. The overprint is in black in rough sans-serif type 3mm. high, the date measuring 18mm. in length.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ANGOLA—Provisionals are officially stated to have been issued as follows: 50c on 60c; 70c on 1c; and 1e40 on 2c.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ANTIGUA — Three distinct shades of the current 6d have been found and are best described as pale lilac, deep lilac and dull lilac. The dull lilac has brownish gum, while the gum on the other two is white.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ARGENTINE — Officials—New Overprint. The latest printing shows the initials of the various government departments without the full stops. A variety occurs on the MJ1 stamps in that the overprint measures 10mm. on some copies and 12mm. on others. The smaller one being the rarer.

(Philatelic Magazine)

BELGIUM—The Brussels Exhibition stamp mentioned in our issues of June 20th and July 11th, was issued in sheets of one and bears in the margin a privilege cancellation as used at the Exhibition P. O. Photogravure.

2fr. 45 plus 55c. red brown.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ERITREA—In addition to the two values of the King's head design, mentioned in our issue of June 27th, the following have been issued:

7½c brown
26c blue & carmine
30c olive & purple
40c blue & yellow-green
11.25 violet & blue
21.50 olive-green

(Philatelic Magazine)

GERMANY—The inscription for the North Pole Zepps mentioned

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45	4c on 25c black on rose	.15 .15
46	1c on 5c green	.12 .12
47	2c on 5c green	.12 .12
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(Philatelic Magazine)

HUNGARY—Two perforations exist of the 10f on 16f Postage Due, that we noted in our June 20th issue. Perf. 14 and 15.

(Philatelic Magazine)

INDIA—Variety of the 1a Delhi. A copy of the foregoing has been found in which the first letter of the word COUNCIL under the central vignette is a distinct "O" instead of a "C".

(Philatelic Magazine)

ITALY—The Transatlantic Formation Flight stamp heralded early this year has been issued. The date was June 27th.

7L70 Blue-green & bistre

(Philatelic Magazine)

ITALY—Garibaldi Commemoratives in 1932. We understand officially that the jubilee of the death in 1882 of the great Italian patriot will be marked by a special commemorative issue next year.

New Postage Due Design. The current postage due design, which has done duty since 1870, is shortly to be replaced by a new design.

(Philatelic Magazine)

LEBANON—Additional permanent pictorials:

6p purple (Beach and harbor at Tyre)
15p deep purple (Waterfalls of Akka)
50p light yellow-green (View of Deir el Kamar)

(Philatelic Magazine)

MACAO—A charity stamp showing a saintly figure, surrounded by monks and other ecclesiastical figures, has been issued. The only inscription on the stamp is "Assistencia" and "MACAU". Unwatermarked and ungummed. Use is optional on foreign mail, but compulsory for inland mail.

5 avos, brown on buff

(Philatelic Magazine)

NEW ZEALAND—Another value in the Arms Type, in addition to that noted in our July 4th issue.

10 sh carmine

(Philatelic Magazine)

PERU—During the National Holidays, July 28-30, this country held a philatelic exhibition. A special set of seven or eight stamps were issued. No word yet as to designs or values.

(Mekeel's Stamp News)

SPAIN—Barcelona Exhibition—6th Series. A design similar to Scott's A54, but dated 1931 and bearing the inscription "Serie 6a" in space where initials are on Scott's No. 54.

New Republic Design. Essays similar in style to the small Masaryk (probably Scott's A37) stamps of Czechoslovakia are shown in the "Illustrated London News" as two of the adopted designs for the permanent Spanish Republican issue. The portraits are of Pablo Iglesias and Nicholas Salmeron, noted Republican leaders.

(Philatelic Magazine)

SWITZERLAND—Disarmament Conference Stamps. This issue is in course of preparation and we now learn that the series will consist of six postage and three air stamps, to be issued next January.

(Philatelic Magazine)

SYRIA—The new pictorial series, which have been appearing stamp by stamp is about to be completed. It will consist in all of 18 values and 7 postage dues.

(Mekeel's Stamp News)

TURKEY—Supplementing our notes of last week concerning the new designs, we now learn that there are to be 19 values in place of 18 as stated. There will be three types. The portraits are similar in each (showing Mustapha Kemal in what appears to be European evening dress), the placing and style of the figures of value varying for each type.

(Philatelic Magazine)

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—The latest printing of the 2nd value appears in a paler and bluish tint in the center and a duller shade of mauve in the frame work.

(Philatelic Magazine)

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How well, he, with the assistance
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mittee for the S. P. A. convention,
all of whom were also assisted
by the members of the Columbus
Philatelic Club, have handled the
task that was given them by Dr.
N. P. McGay, past president of the
S. P. A. is a matter that must be
left to the judgement of those who
were our guests in this city during
the days of the Convention.

As we have now arrived at a
point where we can look back on
the past few days of the convention
activities we do so with a feeling
that we have given our best efforts
and we see nothing that was done
that we would not gladly do again
and we know of nothing more that
we could have done that we have
reason to believe would have added
anything to the pleasures and en-
joyment of the occasion.

It is not for us to say that the
visitors were well pleased with
their stay in Columbus, it is not for
us to say that everyone had a
good time. No matter what is done
or how it is done, it is not possible
to please everyone. Having opin-
ions as we do on certain matters,
we made it our aim to plan the
affair and to provide entertain-
ment and pleasure that we believed
would please the greatest number
and the enthusiasm with which this
program was applauded by those
present leaves no doubt in our mind

but that we followed the right
course.

Just how well we succeeded is
another matter. Doubtless you will
hear from some of those who were
here. We should much prefer that
you learn in that manner. We
have no wish to blow our own horn
—Columbus always tries to do
what it has to do in such a manner
that its visitors go away and do
the blowing for us.

WARNING Last week we
printed an article
under this heading relative to a J.
Kelly, who has been lax in attend-
ing to orders from collectors. That
our suspicions have been justified
is proven by the number of letters
that have reached our office in the
past few days.

Doubtless we will be severely
criticised by numerous people by
telling our readers that they should
be careful of whom they order and
to whom they send cash without
first learning of the reliability of
the parties to whom they intend to
remit their money. We will be told
that we should refuse to accept
advertising from such people. That
thought is very well if it were a
practical one. Few dealers or
collectors are dishonest, but few of
the advertisements that are printed
are from crooks. Should we make
it a point to investigate the reli-
ability of every advertiser before
printing the advertisement which
they send it would hold up the
printing of the copy in most cases
from 30 to 60 days and would there-
fore be impractical. As we pointed
out in the article last week, col-
lectors should stay away from offers
at prices which are ridiculously
low. Such offers usually stink and
should be avoided.

Just as an example of how we
are replied to when we do make an
effort to learn if an advertiser is
reliable we want to state a situation
which has come up in the past
week.

An advertising patron who had
been using an inch space and about
whom we have had two or three
complaints and who has thus far
failed to pay his advertising account
and whose advertisement we have
therefore discontinued was doing
business under the name of "Bier-
holt Stamp Co." (The first name
is fictitious). A classified adver-
tisement was sent us for insertion,
since the before mentioned inch
advt. was discontinued by us. The
classified advertisement bore the
name Fred Bierholt (that name is
fictitious) and the address was in
the same town as the company
which had used the inch space.

We immediately thought that the
party who had used the inch space
and which we had refused was
attempting to advertise under his
own name. We returned the copy
to him with the inquiry as to
whether he was the "Bierholt" of
the "Bierholt Stamp Co." His

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MUCH MAIL IS ON THE EDITORS DESK,—accumulated over the days of the convention. Those who have replies coming will please be patient, we will try to catch up soon.

WALTER POPPENGGER OF AKRON OHIO—was at the convention and he has already sent in a report on same. If you want to know how "Pop" liked it just read his advertisement in this issue.

STANDARD AIRPOST CATALOGUE

The new Standard Airpost Catalogue issued by the Berkshire Exchange of Wooster, Ohio has recently made its appearance. It is a handsomely bound book in brown cloth consisting of 480 pages of the best and most reliable information on air mail stamps and covers available.

The catalogue is probably more near perfect in its pricing than any catalogue of stamps that has ever been issued. This is accounted for by the fact that the publishers have in many instances a stock of goods to back up the price quotations.

The pricing is based on their experience of years in the business and not on guess work or theory. An illustration of the accuracy of the price quotations and actual market or sale value is called to our attention.

Shortly after the catalogue had been issued, a large auction sale of air mail stamps was held. The total price realized at the auction was within one dollar of the catalogue value of the same stamps in this catalogue.

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Buro Prints

Information regarding new issues and notes of interest should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

C. C. WEBER Editor
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Janesville, Wis. coil 1c

Our good friend L. Davis of Beloit, Wis. sends in the above.

We find the July New Bee in the mail box, it keeps up the previous standards set by the earlier issues. The third and final part of Desley Taylor's story of Precancelling devices is the important bit.

Joe Gloeb announces that effective with the September issue that Vic Rotnem will handle the editorial page.

Mr. Rotnem has a one page "reader letter" in the present issue and among some interesting points he brings out is the fact that there are eight decidedly hustling precancel activities outside the P. S. S.

Two enlightening articles, one by Ackerman, the other by Rotnem relative to the very scarce double paper buro print varieties. Mr. Rotnem opines they are plenty rare and worth considerable. Well, folks, there is another reason to look over your duplicates.

As we type this column a very welcome and beautiful shower comes up and we wonder whether a flock of new issues and notes might not float in. Incidentally a writer in the BEE takes the precancel fraternity to task for making it necessary for the editor and publishers of the Buro Catalog to offer prizes for the reporting of new issues.

IS YOUR FACE RED????

PROHASKA OPENS OFFICE ON NASSAU STREET

Word is just at hand from an old friend and correspondent, Fred E. Prohaska advising that on August 15, he will open a stamp office at 79 Nassau Street, New York. Mr. Prohaska has been an active stamp man for many years. His stock is made up chiefly of medium value goods, strong in foreign and in material ranging from 50c to a \$1.00 in catalogue value. He also has an excellent line of new issues and airmails and since he has contracted for space in the weekly you can keep in touch with his offers.

LINN'S IN THE NAVY

A letter from C. H. Clark on the U. S. S. Saratoga encloses a subscription for another "buddy" Anthony L. Governale and states that a number of the boys get the paper and find it very interesting.

Mr. Clark asks for a little write-up for the boys but supplies no information. Might we suggest that when one of the boys has occasion to mail a letter that they mail it on board and get the ship cancellation rather than mail it on land. Every collector likes Battleship cancellations.

We might also call his attention to the article by Mr. Wear in this issue and ask him if precancels are used on the Saratoga.

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AIR MAIL FLASHES

EDITED BY H. G. KINGDOM, CONNEAUT, OHIO

This department belongs to our readers and we ask you to send all information received to the Editor as soon as possible and same will be acknowledged

Lindberghs

As I write this the "Lone Eagle" and his "little blue goose" have arrived at Nome, Alaska, on their flight to the Orient, after passing over a route very seldom traveled, and the aviation world hopes for their safety on the remainder of the flight. An Eskimo woman called Anne the "little blue goose"; the blue goose being a bird of long flights and this expression will probably follow her a long time.

When they left Washington, D. C., at the start the Merchants and Mfrs. Assn. sponsored a cachet which was applied to about 330 covers.

The Akron

On Aug. 8th, the giant dirigible was christened by Mrs. Hoover, with due ceremony before a huge throng. The Chamber of Commerce applied a good cachet similar in design to the original Ring-Laying cachet. Thanks to Harry Aaron for copy. A lady in this city, speaking of the picture of the ship published in the press that day, remarked, that she did not know there was a lake at Akron, large enough on which to launch such a large ship.

Two Pilots Killed

On Sunday, Aug. 9th, shortly after M. T. Odell and Wm. J. DeWald, Pilots, took off with the trimotor from Cincinnati to Atlanta, the plane crashed, both pilots losing their lives. These boys were always kind in signing C A M covers for collectors. No mail was lost.

Lady-Birds May Race

Laura Ingalls and Geraldine Loffredo are both set for a race to see which of their sex will be the first to solo the Atlantic. Mrs. Loffredo, the Buffalo aviatrix, flying since 1927, purchased the "Liberty", paying the photographer \$1000 more than it cost him, and hopes to make a non-stop to Rome. They are both supposed to take off about Aug. 20th.

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Fictitious Addresses

Supt. E. B. Wadsworth advises by letter that Post Masters are instructed to route all letters according to instructions of the senders as near as possible, so that it is not necessary for collectors to use fictitious names and addresses as many believe.

Sioux City on A. M. 18

Many collectors write that they have had covers returned by the P. M. at Sioux City, Iowa, saying that he did not know of any air service from that city. However, Mr. Glover wrote us by letter early in July, that A. M. 18, would on Sept. 1st. be extended from Omaha, via Sioux City, Iowa, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota, to Watertown, S. Dakota, and that cachets would be supplied to the three new cities named, and we think that he knows what the Department intends doing, and perhaps your covers arrived before the worthy P. M. had been notified, so we say send on your covers again immediately, and ask him to hold for this flight.

September First

Trinidad, Colorado, will be given air mail service on A. M. 12 and a special cachet provided. Send covers to postmaster.

French Prize Offered

The French Ministry of Air has offered one million francs to the aviator of that country who recaptures the world's straight-line distance record for France, which was recently held by Coste and Bellonte, and now captured by Boardman and Pollando.

Boardman and Pollando

The Istanbul fliers as soon as they return to the U. S., which will be as soon as this is printed, will be given a monster welcome by the City of New Bedford, Mass., where both are well known. Covers for this event should be sent to A. F. Dunham, 253 Mill St., at once. From a news item sent by him, I believe that these fliers dropped only one letter while passing over Le Bourget Field, at Paris.

Heavyweight Pilot

W. L. Stribling, the boxer, has applied for a job as pilot on Eastern Air Transport lines. He has 1000 hours to his credit, and evidently now thinks he would rather "fight" the clouds.

Coming Events

The National Exchange Club will sponsor a special cachet for their Club Day, at the National Air Races, at Cleveland, Ohio, and we suggest that you send a cover for this direct to H. M. Harter, Secretary, Huron Bldg., Toledo, Ohio.

The National Exchange Club Convention will be held at Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 20-23, and a distinctive cachet will be provided and applied in different color each day. This service club has done much for aviation and many noted aviators will attend the convention. Covers may be sent to the secretary named above.

Capt. Lewis Yancy, the N. Y. to Rome flier will visit Fort Wayne, Ind., about Sept 1st and fly the first Autogiro in that city. Send covers to Edmond L. Miller, 812 W. Creighton Ave. for cachet.

Great Barrington, Mass., airport will be dedicated between Aug. 20th and Sept. 7th and a cachet will be provided. Send to Chamber of Commerce.

The City-County Airport at Pittsburgh, Pa., will be dedicated Sept. 12 and J. P. Penning, 124 E. Eugene Ave. Homestead will care for your covers.

Post and Gatty will be at Beverly Hills, Cal., Aug. 27 or 28, so rush covers to Earl Mills, 750 N. Hayworth Ave., Hollywood, Cal.

Air races at Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 12-13, covers to Dr. Jos. Ullman, 2629 N. 29th St.

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It is again reported that the "Three Nations" flight by N. F. and Maritime Airways may be soon consummated. This is good news to many collectors who have sent covers.

A. M. No. 8 Fifth Anniversary, will be celebrated by cachet. There are eight cities on the route: Seattle, Portland, Medford, San Francisco, Fresno, Bakersfield, Sacramento, and Los Angeles. Send covers for all cities, unstuffed and unsealed to Robert W. Meinhoff, Box 3311, Portland, Ore., before Sept. 5th.

Post and Gatty will visit Portland, Oregon, September 1; Seattle, Wash., Sept. 2nd and Spokane, Wash., Sept. 3rd. Portland covers to R. W. Meinhoff, Box 3311, and others to Chamber of Commerce.

Covers Received

Victoria-Vancouver flight brought the usual fine Canadian covers. Thanks to E. M. Brower.

L. B. Wood remembers us with cover of the 100th Anniversary of Lowell, Mich., on Aug. 7th, having cachets by the Furniture Capital Air Service and also by the Board of Trade.

Schenectady, N. Y., Chamber of Commerce sponsored a fine cachet commemorating 100 years of Railroad and picturing the modern locomotive and the old DeWitt Clinton.

The Air Circus at Pittsfield, Mass., brought covers Aug. 8-9 with very attractive markings, from John F. Pendergast.

AIRMAIL SOCIETY CONVENTION

The annual convention of the American Air Mail Society will meet at Washington, D. C. the last week of August. One of the features of the convention will be an auction of Air Mail stamps and covers by the Berkshire Exchange. The sale was catalogued and will be conducted by that popular Air Mail Auction man, Donald E. Dickason.

Catalogues are out and list 763 handsome lots of choice stamps and about the finest lot of covers that have ever been in one sale, many rarities being offered.

HARRIS JOURNAL No. 32

H. E. Harris & Co. of Boston have just issued Number 32 of their Monthly Journal. It is filled with special summer bargain offers and will interest every dealer who is looking for material for his winter business.

RED CROSS SEALS

By A. W. Brumfield

99 W. Pratt St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. Linn has been kind enough to allow some space for a monthly column on the Christmas seals, semi-postals and charity stamps. We want to make this column as interesting as possible to the subscribers and therefore would suggest that you write me at the above address with any suggestions as to what might be of interest to you. We shall endeavor to answer any questions concerning any of these issues. Would also like any notations concerning any issues or varieties discovered. Send us your news.

A recent find was a 1919 Tuberculosis Seal, rouletted horizontally and perforated vertically. This was printed by Strobbridge and so far only two sheets have been seen.

We recently found a Tuberculosis Seal, blue and red, from the Republic of Chile bearing the red double-barred cross and the words, "Combatamos la Tuberculosis" and the denomination of 20 Centavos. Can anyone give us the date of this and any further information concerning this issue?

A tentative bibliography of the literature on Christmas Seals has been compiled by W. L. Kinhead and the writer. Copies may be obtained free of cost by sending an addressed stamped envelope to A. W. C. Brumfield, 99 W. Pratt St., Indianapolis, Ind. As this is not complete we are asking our friends to send us the records of any articles concerning Christmas seals that may have appeared in any of the philatelic magazines.

CANADIAN BEER ON MENU

The Fourth of July outing of the Michigan Stamp Club in Canada was such a success that the boys are going to do it again. Sunday, September 13, is the date and the outing will be at Reaume Park, two miles south of Amherstburg, Ontario, on Lake Erie. An old fashioned corn roast will be the feature, and all the trimmings including Canadian beer will be on tap.

We sometimes wished we lived in Detroit or else we wish that the prohibition law would be extended to prohibit citizens of America from going outside the United States. This thing never was run fair, we editors and many other collectors in the inside cities must be satisfied by reading about it.

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The auctioneer was burned and snorted, "Think you're funny, don't you?" The audience didn't think they were funny either. In fact all present thought they were just a couple of boulevard drunks. Any boulevard for that matter.

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—Joseph Charles Salak.

PRECANCEL NOTES

By K. M. Gierhart, Baltimore, Ohio

Before me are two 2c postage due stamps precancelled Chicago, nothing unusual in that but listen farther, the first is the old style due with the new double line type on it, and the second is the new style due with Chicago's old type U-11 on it. Both have possibilities of amounting to something so don't throw away nor let go of your recent Chicago dues till their catalog value has been established.

I'd be willing to bet a little Bucket Shop Stock that you collectors who have a stock of duplicates have ten 13c Chicago U-11s that cat. 25c to one 2c that catalogs only 10c. This 2 center should catalog 50c anyway, unless someone has a lot of these cornered.

Dayton, O. has used its new U-12 type on the old style dues, and Huntington, W. Va., has used its new double line on old dues, as well as on the 2c Braddock commemorative.

I wonder how long Toledo will hang on to its old U-2 type. A couple years more and it will be old enough to vote.

Now turn to your Harrisburg, Pa., Type XI and see if the "S" in Harrisburg is not smaller than on some of the others. The small S is from a new plate and not a plate variety so I understand. The rest of the letters seem to be a little thinner and more compact on the new plate upon close examination, but it will require a second look to distinguish them.

How about New Havens U-12 in blue ink. I know of the following varieties:—3c, 4c, 8c, 10c, 11c, 12c, 15c, 20c down and 30c up. Know of more? These should be listed and priced instead of just being mentioned in foot notes as is done in most cases of colored inks. To price just a few and just mention the rest often leads one to think that some one has an iron in the fire.

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